

BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES
December 12, 2013

Attendees: Scott Garrison, Lynn Jones, George Kellner, Dr. Kevin Ketring, Jean Hicks, Cammie Mitrione, Jim Squires, Mayor Webster

Absent: Rita Hart

The minutes of November 8, 2013 were approved.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Infectious Disease Program

Mrs. Mitrione said she sent an e-mail to Dr. Feinberg and Adam and shared the comments from the Board such as Springdale should be added to the address on the flier and that the flier should stress infectious disease prevention rather than needle exchange. Where it says bring a used syringe, get a clean syringe, the Board wanted the word "new" instead of "clean". She said she asked why it said "Cincinnati" Needle Exchange Program. Mrs. Mitrione said they appreciated the positive feedback and will get back to us. Mrs. Mitrione said she was interviewed about the program on WLW radio. The board asked Mrs. Mitrione to send an e-mail to Dr. Feinberg asking for literature, the logo, etc

Mrs. Mitrione stated Dr. Feinberg asked if they wanted "Springdale" on the van. Mayor Webster said he didn't want Springdale on the van but also did not want Cincinnati on the van. He said maybe Hamilton County. .

Mrs. Mitrione said she sent a letter to the property manager where the van will be located asking them to confirm in writing that it is okay to park it there. She said she had received an e-mail back stating it was okay. Dr. Feinberg said they have found a place to park the van inside during the winter months.

HEALTH COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

2014 Food License Fees

Mrs. Mitrione read R3-2013 again.

A REGULATION OF THE SPRINGDALE BOARD OF HEALTH AMENDING BOARD OF HEALTH REGULATION R1-2013 WHICH ESTABLISHED FEES FOR FOOD SERVICE OPERATIONS, RETAIL FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS, VENDING MACHINE LOCATIONS, AND TEMPORARY FOOD OPERATIONS WITHIN THE CITY OF SPRINGDALE; AND ESTABLISHED FEES FOR FOOD SERVICE OPERATION AND RETAIL FOOD ESTABLISHMENT PLAN REVIEWS.

She said the public hearing has been postponed until January because the letters to the licensees didn't get out in time for the December meeting.

Administrative Assistant Replacement

Mrs. Mitrione stated they did three follow up interviews and selected a candidate for the administrative assistant position in the Health and Building Departments. She said the candidate is a good typist and has done billing.

NURSE'S REPORT

Flu information

Mrs. Hicks said the season locally was classified as "sporadic" but became "widespread" in week 48 in Ohio. Flu in other states has increased.

The WHO and CDC continue to monitor the H7N9 Avian flu in China looking for sustained human to human transmission. The Preparedness Plan for Influenza Pandemic in the Hong Kong area has been moved from "Alert" to "Serious" after a 36 year old became critically ill after buying and eating a chicken from a market near Hong Kong. See the article from CDC "Avian Influenza A(H7N9) Virus" in Board Packet. A second case has been identified in Hong Kong after exposure in a live poultry market.

A flu clinic was held at the Health Department on Dec 11, 2013 with few attendees. This was advertised in the Springdale Newsletter. Flu vaccinations are also being given to the children who need/want one during the immunization clinics.

Healthy U Diabetes Workshop

The next workshop will be February 20 – March 27, 2014. Through a partnership of Council on Aging with PERS, the notice of the workshop will be sent to persons receiving PERS.

Immunization Program

We continue to see many children without insurance but have started to see an increase in the number of children who have Medicaid/CareSource. We may be able to bill CareSource/Medicaid for the administration fee in the future.

Know Your ABCs: A Quick Guide to Reportable Diseases in Ohio

Mrs. Hicks said changes are effective January 1, 2014

The changes include: adding Babesiosis; removing Cytomegalovirus (congenital), Granuloma inguinale, and Herpes (congenital). Also, two disease names will be changed: Trichinosis will be changed to Trichinellosis; and Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever will be changed to Spotted Fever Rickettsiosis, including Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever. Also, Class B1 and Class B2 diseases are being consolidated into "Class B", all of which will be reportable by the end of the next business day. See copy in Board packet.

Communicable Diseases:

Many students were tested for Pertussis but no additional cases were identified until this past week when one more student had a positive lab test. This is the season for additional cases so there is ongoing monitoring.

Respectfully submitted,

Cammie Mitrione, RS
Health Commissioner

